63J-7-203 Legislative review and approval of certain grant requests.

- (1) As used in this section:
 - (a) "High impact grant" means a grant that will or could:
 - (i) result in the state receiving total payments of \$1,000,000 or more per year from the grantor;
 - (ii) require the state to add 11 or more permanent full-time employees, 11 or more permanent part-time employees, or combination of permanent full-time employees and permanent part-time employees equal to 11 or more in order to receive the grant; or
 - (iii) require the state to expend more than \$1,000,000 of new state money in a fiscal year in order to receive or administer the grant.
 - (b) "Medium impact grant" means a grant that will or could:
 - (i) result in the state receiving total payments of more than \$50,000 but less than \$1,000,000 per year from the grantor;
 - (ii) require the state to add more than zero but less than 11 permanent full-time employees, more than zero but less than 11 permanent part-time employees, or a combination of permanent full-time employees and permanent part-time employees equal to more than zero but less than 11 in order to receive or administer the grant; or
 - (iii) require the state to expend \$1 to \$1,000,000 of new state money in a fiscal year in order to receive or administer the grant.

(2)

- (a) Before obligating the state to accept or receive a medium impact grant, and, where possible, before formally submitting a request for a medium impact grant to the grantor, an agency shall:
 - (i) submit the grant summary to the governor or the Judicial Council, as appropriate, for approval or rejection; and
 - (ii) if the governor or Judicial Council approves the grant, submit the grant summary to the Legislative Executive Appropriations Committee for its review and recommendations.
- (b) The Legislative Executive Appropriations Committee shall review the grant summary and may:
 - (i) recommend that the agency accept the grant;
 - (ii) recommend that the agency not accept the grant; or
 - (iii) recommend to the governor that the governor call a special session of the Legislature to review and approve or reject the acceptance of the grant.

(3)

- (a) Before obligating the state to accept or receive a high impact grant, and, where possible, before formally submitting a request for a high impact grant to the grantor, an agency shall:
 - (i) submit the grant summary to the governor or Judicial Council, as appropriate, for approval or rejection; and
 - (ii) if the governor or Judicial Council approves the grant, submit the grant summary to the Legislature for its approval or rejection in an annual general session or a special session.

(b)

- (i) If the Legislature approves the grant, the agency may accept the grant.
- (ii) If the Legislature fails to approve the grant, the agency may not accept the grant.
- (c) If an agency fails to obtain the Legislature's approval under this Subsection (3):
 - (i) the governor or Judicial Council, as appropriate, may require the agency to return the grant;
 - (ii) the Legislature may direct the agency to return the grant to the grantor; or
 - (iii) the Legislature may reduce the agency's appropriation in an amount less than, equal to, or greater than the amount of the grant received by the agency.

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